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1. Trial Phase 2	Scope: This Enhancement will make changes to the structure of the CFS Trial Table; update the posting process to utilize the new fields, and centralize the posting process to simplify future maintenance of the posting code. The project will be completed in three phases. The phases include: Phase 1: Expand the trial table structure to add, remove, and change the existing data elements to accommodate new reporting and processing requirements for General Ledger Level Data. Phase Deliverable: install the new Trial Table structure in the production environment without making any changes to the data that is captured in the table	Phase 2 FRD Approved Aug. 22, 2005.	
Responsibility: Project Coordinator: Karen McBride Functional Lead Karen McBride Technical Lead Bill Isbell	any changes to the data that is captured in the table. Phase 2: The scope of Phase 2 of the Trial Enhancements will address a portion of the remaining requirements as originally identified in the Top Ten List 2005 Priority List. The following requirements are slated to be addressed in Phase 2: Define and develop the data dictionary for all TRIAL data elements Document the business rules governing Centralized Posting Determine Phase 2 Implementation Strategy based on priorities Implement expanded FUND CODE field in all CFS screens, reports and programs Define additional Functional Requirements necessary to implement the above defined strategy, e.g., Implementation of Centralized Posting for all Non-AR/RAU modules which will be addressed in TRIAL Phase 3 Altering any CBS source tables and introducing constraints as necessary to support a unique to Trial, including GJ_DETAIL, AP_DETAIL & APC tables FM040/FM041/FM022/FM030/GL081 – add Transaction Number to the screen Performance Enhancements Phase 3: The scope of Phase 3 of the TRIAL Enhancements will address the remaining requirements as originally identified in the Top Nine List 2005 Priority List.	Project Plan TBD	
	Phase 1 was delivered June 1, 2005. Phase 2 Functional Requirements Document (FRD) was approved on Aug. 22 nd . The CSC has received Levels of Effort (LOE) for all items in the TRIAL Phase II FRD and held a meeting with the Bureau project team on Sept. 15 th to discuss priorities for TRIAL Phase II. The CSC is currently in discussions with the contractor regarding the LOE, priorities, and programming efficiencies. Currently the fund code change has been identified as the priority fix as NOAA will need this implemented by FY 2007. NOAA is evaluating whether they can reuse fund codes and thus not need by FY 2007. This would allow the CSC to consider other options to achieve more efficiency in the design, programming and testing efforts.		

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2. Funds Control on Batch	Scope:	This enhancement will introduce automated features to prevent batch processes from posting to projects when those projects do not have sufficient funding for the charges. The process will: 1) Retain the transaction in a suspense status until the posting issue is resolved; 2) Apply a default accounting code (post to a clearing project); or Implement a commitment step in the posting process. The option used will depend upon the batch process involved.	Draft FRD Dec. 2005	
Responsibility: Project Coordinator: Karen McBride Functional Lead Karen McBride Technical Lead Janie Ma	This project will be completed in two phases. Due to the enhancement of the Accounts Payable Standard Interface (APSI), as a part of the eTravel Interface project, funds control for no match invoices will be addressed as part of Phase 2. Phase I will address all other enhancements. The Funds Control project scope will include the following: Project Coordinator: Karen McBride Functional Lead Functional Lead Karen McBride Technical Lead Technical Lead Technical Lead This project will be completed in two phases. Due to the enhancement of the Accounts Payable Standard Interface (APSI), as a part of the eTravel Interface project, funds control for no match invoices will address all other enhancements. The Funds Control project scope will include the following: The ability to establish a separate 'super pool for all Payroll and other object classes; The ability to re-route documents in Funds Override; The ability to establish an alternate Funds Override Official; The ability to copy existing Workflow settings to be used as a template for a new record			
	Status:	The revised date for the Draft FRD is December, 2005. Staff is seeking guidance from the Department on standardization of ACCS usage so that a solution for including edits in the Web T&A system can be defined. However, standardization is not required in order to add ACCS edits to the Web T&A application.		
3. Mass Reclassifica tion Phase 1	Mass eclassifica This enhancement will create a module that can change the Accounting Classification Code Structure (ACCS) values assigned to individual transactions that have been posted to the system tables. The process is intended to support re-organizations and financial transaction re-alignment The strategy for this project is to create a process for changing values for the fund, program code		Delivery 1 – Complete Delivery 2 – Oct 20 th	
Status: All Bureaus have approved the final FRD. The project is currently in the Design and Test Phase We are awaiting Census' and NIST's official sign-off on the Detail Design Document. CSC and NOAA completed testing Delivery 1 and all reworks were resolved. They are currently testing Delivery 2. To date, 27 reworks have been documented; of which 10 have been retested and closed and fixes have been delivered for 7 additional reworks. The task is on schedule to be delivered to the bureaus on Dec. 1, 2005.		Delivery 3 – Oct 31 st Delivery 4 Nov 29 th		
Lynn Wilson Technical Lead Bill Isbell	Items to Watch:	NOAA has a need to implement the Mass Reclassification initiative quickly to ensure that it is available for use for the potential continuing resolutions changes in FY 2006. The project is following a compressed schedule with a target date of final code delivery to bureaus Dec. 1, 2005. This effort has been made a priority at the CSC. NOAA is assisting in the testing. There might be a need for additional testing support from NOAA for the unit testing of Delivery 4.	Code Delivery to Bureaus – Dec 1st	

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4. Mass Reclassifica tion Phase 2 Responsibility: Functional Lead Lynn Wilson	Scope:	Subsequent phase(s) of the Mass Reclassification project will address CSTARS interface documents (and the downstream transactions of the CSTARS documents) and reorganization. OAM is looking into policy changes that would eliminate the ACCS values from the requisition. As this would eliminate the need for the change for the CSTARS interface documents. Thus consideration of this change is on hold for now. The reorganization effort will include the same process as developed for phase 1 with the addition being that the organizational codes would be added as criteria for the reclassification. This project has not started as it is awaiting the completion of Phase 1.		
5. Cost Allocation Study and Simplify Populating the Templates	Scope:	The scope of the Cost Allocation Simplification is to create a simple standard indirect cost allocation method that will be used by all CBS users. The Cost Allocation Team will: 1.) Review bureau cost allocation methods; 2.) Review CAMS Indirect Cost Application Process Model; 3.) Review JFMIP cost allocation methodologies; 4.) Review bureau specific appropriation laws; 5.) Conduct a Gap Analysis between JFMIP cost allocation methodologies and those followed at DOC; and 6.) Interview other agencies about their cost allocation methodologies to help identify best practices. Once suitable cost methodology is determined, the team will identify changes needed in CBS to implement the new methodology.		
Responsibility: Project Coordinator: TBD Functional Lead Jeff Martin Technical Lead TBD	Status:	This project will also include the 2005 Cost Template Effort that was prioritized as #7 on the 2005 priority list. This project will update the cost allocation template screen format and add features to help manage cost allocation templates. Possible changes include providing users with summary results for each indirect pool and the capacity to estimate cost and allocation impacts based on budget operating plan or other cost projections. NOAA had requested adding AR 16828, NOAA AR #8731: Enhancements to the Surcharge (CM204) and Over/under (CM202) Processes, to this project. 1.) Request both processes be modified to include the calculation and distribution of FTEs along with the current dollar calculations. 2.) Request reverse posting of general ledger data from the over/under process CM202) be delayed until the next month's over/under process is started. Several meetings have been held to layout the process and issues as each Bureau has a unique		
	Status:	process to allocating cost. NOAA has requested that the items that they added to the scope be elevated and handled before the study is completed. Additional meetings are being scheduled.		

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6. Financial Statements On-Top Adjustments Responsibility: Project Coordinator: Janie Ma Functional Lead Lynn Wilson Technical Lead Janie Ma	Scope: Status:	The scope of the On Top Financial Statement Adjustment Enhancement will create an adjustment screen and reports that can feed high-level adjustments into the financial reporting systems without posting to the CFS Trial Table (General ledger) in the standard process. These transactions with be distinctly identified as financial statement adjustments only. This project includes the effort to update and coordinate the delivery of data to the Department's Consolidated Reporting System (CRS) and the Corporate Database. The FRD schedule is as follows: Draft FRD went out to Bureaus for comment on 10/7/05. Comments due back COB 10/19/05. Draft walkthrough with Bureaus to be held 10/20/05. Update Draft with Comments and changes by 10/31/05 Issue Final Draft to Bureaus for Approval/Sign-off by 11/16/05 FRD to be complete by 11/28/05	Draft FRD Submitted on Oct. 7, 2005 Final FRD scheduled for Nov. 28, 2005	
7. Standard Maintenance Release	Scope: Status:	Annual Maintenance consists of level 1 and level 2 ARs. Historically the CSC receives an average of 249 level 1 ARs and 524 level 2 ARs a year. There are currently 25 open level 1 ARs (10 of these are for changes needed in CSTARS) and 530 open level 2 ARs. The CSC issues the level 1 ARs on a daily basis as the programming is completed. The CSC issues level 2 ARs on a bi-monthly basis on the 15 th of the month. For the month of September there were 8 level 1 ARs delivered or closed with a status of unchanged.	Delivery Oct 17, 2005	
Responsibility: Functional Lead: Amy Sommerville Technical Lead: Bill Isbell		The next standard maintenance release for level 2 ARs is schedule for Oct 17 th . The delivery is currently projected to contain 9 CFS ARs and 5 CPCS ARs.		

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8. CRS Changes as Identified Responsibility: Project Coordinator: Functional Lead: Tom Lambird Technical Lead: Janie Ma	Scope and On going Status:	 CRS Data Issues: The CSC is evaluating issues with the CRS data. Staff held a CRS roundtable discussion of issues with bureaus on April 22nd. The issues getting the most discussion were as follow:	Performance Measures implementati on early in the second quarter of FY 2006.	
		 Secretary's view project for CRS: The CSC is working with the Office of Budget (OB) to publish in the CRS the monthly Financial Plan & Report (FP&R) submitted by each bureau. To facilitate publication, two issues need resolving. The bureaus should: Adhere to the report format prescribed in Chapter V, Section 8 of the Budget and Program Analysis Handbook; and Be prepared to submit the report in electronic format (an Excel spreadsheet or a text-delimited file are the two formats currently being considered). Integration of performance measures and budget project for CRS: The programming changes to the performance measures portlet are expected to be delivered to the CSC November 4. The CSC will then review these changes with the OB. If the changes are accepted, the CSC will proceed with functional testing and coordinate user training with the OB. The projected implementation is the beginning of the fiscal year second quarter. 		

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9. ITA CFS Transition Responsibility: Functional Lead: Jeff Martin	Scope: Status:	The scope for this project includes items identified by the CSC as required to address ITA's requirements for interfacing to/from the Department of State's Financial System for ITA overseas transactions. Specifically, interfaces are required for: 1) Passing ACCS and Budget data to State for validation; and 2) Accepting Obligations, Disbursements and Travel information from State for overseas transactions. The implementation is scheduled for the beginning of FY 2008 and is due to coincide with the of the CFS Web Migration effort. A meeting with the CSC, NIST and ITA is being planned for Nov.	Implementati on Beginning of FY 2008	
10. Web Migration Prototype	Scope:	Staff completed data collections from all bureaus and conducted several Web Migration Working Group meetings. Five alternatives were evaluated for their feasibility by qualitative risk-based criteria, and three were selected for further quantitative analysis on the cost, benefits, and ROI. The group recommended alternative 3 to convert to Oracle Web Forms, Reports, and Database 10g then integrate applications at the user interface level. It has the low to moderate technical and implementation risk; the longest Oracle technical support period (through 2011) with best future upgrade path; and lower relative life cycle implementation costs, higher relative indirect end-user user productivity and deployment benefits. The Study also includes a modified deployment strategy and schedule for full deployment at the	Mar. 2006 Delivery to Bureaus	
Project Coordinator: Lillian Yeh Functional Lead: Lynn Wilson Technical Lead: Lillian Yeh	Status:	The Study also includes a modified deployment strategy and schedule for full deployment at the end of year 2 (FY2007. The Team presented the revised information to the CBS Executive Board on June 27 th for approval. The CBS Executive Board granted the go-ahead for the prototype. The estimated period for developing a proof-of-concept prototype for validating the analysis and recommended web architecture is 3-4 months. The CSC also conducted a 2-month independent review of the Study (parallel to the Prototype) and sampling of the current program codes about usability and sustainability thru 2012 and beyond. The findings and recommendations were presented to the CBS managers on August 18th. The CSC team held the prototype kick-off Working Group meeting on August 2 with bureau representatives. Staff has distributed the preliminary draft of the web Programming Standards and Guidelines for bureau comments. The Requirements and Design document version 2.2 was also updated with the technology evaluation findings. The CSC team continues working on the security solutions and navigator menu design. The team will setup control points for periodic demonstrations of the prototype to show progress. The prototype is scheduled for completion by the end March 2006.		

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11. Web Migration Implementat ion Responsibility: Technical Lead: Lillian Yeh	Scope:	After the Web Migration Proof-of-Concept and Prototype is completed and approved, the web migration implementation effort will begin. This effort will convert all of the CFS modules to the Web format. This task has not started yet, however the project completion date is June of 2007 with implementation for the beginning of FY 2008.			
12. Convert CBS Modules to Mercury pregression module to with the ot with the ot with the ot with the ot many terms of the convert of the		The CSC is in the process of developing test scripts to implement an automated test tool using the Mercury products: Quick Test Pro and Test Directory. The approach has been to use the regression test scripts currently used by the Bureaus to develop the regression test. The first module to be converted is Accounts Payable; the second is the end-to-end testing for CSTARS, with the other modules following. Implementing the regression tool is an action item for an audit finding: IG AUDIT— IMPROVEMENTS NEEDED IN CONTROLS OVER APPROVALS FOR AND TESTING OF CAMS SOFTWARE, 9/2000 (#3) - Enforce policies and procedures for performing system (regression) testing of all CAMS modules and ensure that the results are documented. The CSC implemented regression testing for the Accounts Payable module in September. The CSC expects that the regression testing effort the Mercury Test Tool will include all of the Core CBS module by the end of FY 2007.	Conversion of all modules by the end of FY 2007.		
	1. Open Issue:	The CSC is developing a cost benefit analysis to address priority and budget concerns raised by the bureaus. Resolution: TBD			

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13. CSTARS Standard Interface	Scope:	This project will develop an interface between the procurement operation called "CSTARS" and the CBS CFS. The interface will permit the CS Requisitions and Obligation documents to the CFS for processing. In documents, purchase orders, and contract documents will be passed by they are created by system users (near real time operations on a deman will also allow CSTARS to automatically add new vendors to the CFS use of CCR vendor data, and provide crosswalks between system vendors.	STARS software to send dividual requisition etween the two systems as and basis). This interface S vendor tables, coordinate	The 8 CSTARS ARs are planned to be delivered to Bureaus on Jan. 2, 2006.
Responsibility: Project Coordinator: Ken Pooton Functional Lead: Jerry Rorstrom-Lee Technical Lead:		This interface will introduce Enterprise Application Interface (EAI) to operations. This technology will allow the interface to operate over the cross-servicing operations by automatically routing documents between site. This project will be completed by a combined DOC/CBS and CACI/C team. The development and deployment process will be completed in	ne WEB and will facilitate en each CFS and CSTARS	
AKII T GOLGI.	standard OFM CSC standards and practices. Status: CSC delivered the CSTARS ORSI Interface (Commerce Standard Acquisition and Reporting System - Obligation & Requisition Standard Interface) to the bureaus on 3/2/05. The Census, NIST, NOAA, & O/S test environments have been built. The CFS V2.13 CSTARS ORSI code has been placed into production at Census, NIST & NOAA so subsequent CFS deliveries can be placed into production. However, the interface is currently turned off until the CSTARS ORSI interface is rolled-out to the end-users.			
		Bureau CSTARS ORSI connectivity & cross servicing testing has rest closing activities are virtually complete. We are securing troubleshoof for any issues that arise, on an as-needed basis. Accenture/CACI submitted a proposal for the eight Enterprise CSTAI will respond to Accenture/CACI with comments within the next couthe Bureaus is planned for Jan. 2, 2006.	ting support from SystaLex RS ARs. The government	
	1. Open Issue:	Initial and ongoing coordination between the CCR Standard Interface and the CSTARS Standard Interface has been established to ensure continuity of the processes involved. The Testing on CCR functionality fixes continues to effect CSTARS and the delays are assessed to mitigate changes to the project plan.	Resolution: The CSC is working to resolve the CCR ARs. A delivery is expected for late Nov.	

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	2. Open Issue:	Per a letter provided to Doug Day, from the ORSI Exec Board, NIST needs to provide a plan for deployment of the CSTARS ORSI.	Resolution: TBD	
	Items to Watch:	The CCR and NIST issues cited above.		
14. eTravel Standard Interface Responsibility: Project Coordinator: Ken Pooton Functional Lead: Karen McBride Technical Lead:	Scope: Status:	This enhancement will implement a system interface that supports transe Travel Solution. The interface imports obligation and accounts payable Travel Vendor and will export traveler profiles and valid values for Ale Travel Vendor's system. The interface will utilize the TIBCO EAI profiles project will be completed as an upgrade to the existing CBS Accounterface (APSI) and will work in conjunction with the CSTARS interform has signed a contract with the eTravel vendor and now expects to system in FY06 with the smaller bureaus going first. The requirements document for this project has been completed. OFM project proposals for the eTravel interface to CBS from both Systalex a and benefits are approved by the CFO, the contracts will be awarded. If eTravel interface have developed project plans that takes in to account	ole transactions from the eccounting codes to the coducts. unts Payable Standard face (ORSI). The eTravel or rollout the eTravel has received and accepted and EDS. Once the cost Both vendors for the	
Ken Pooton	1. Open Issue:	Commerce's eTravel initiative is on hold, pending EDS response to GS request for a Corrective Action Plan (CAP). GSA has accepted EDS' schedule for implementing the CAP. Management is waiting to see the results of delivered fixes for the outstanding issues. Note: Some of the that have been identified as directly affecting DoC will not be delivered next Spring.	issues	

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15. Central Contractor Registration (CCR)	This enhancement will implement a system interface and processing controls to import and utilize vendor data from the Central Contractor Registry (CCR). The enhancement includes a vendor data import function, an automated mapping process to match CFS vendors with CCR vendors, a conflict resolution process that allows users to pick vendors when more than one CCR record matches to a single CFS record, enhanced vendor research capabilities using the CCR data, and updates to the CFS disbursement operations to automatically hold disbursements to vendors when their CCR registration lapses. This project will be completed in three phases as follows: • Phase 1: Make changes to the CFS system screens needed to work with the CCR vendor	CCR Critical Fixes Delivery late Nov. Phase 3 Delivery Mid Jan.	
Responsibility: Project Coordinator: Janie Ma Functional Lead Jerry Rorstrom-Lee Technical Lead Janie Ma	 data. Phase 2: Add new screens and processes to manage the CCR download and matching process (Vendor Matching Screens (VMS). This phase includes completing a reconciliation of existing CFS vendor data to the CCR vendor database. Phase 3: Develop and deploy enhanced vendor query features that give users better access to the CCR vendor data, and also implement controls over the CFS Disbursement process in accordance with CCR disbursement management rules. This effort will also include three disbursement reports. Phase 3 was delayed due to a requirement clarification. NOTE: the CCR project is very closely coordinated with the CSTARS interface project. The Phase 1 and Phase 2 enhancements to the CFS to add the CCR functionality must be already installed and ready to use before the CSTARS interface code can be installed. 	NOAA implementati on Feb. 17, 2006 Census, NIST implementati on TBD	

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	Status:	Phase 1 and Phase 2 of this project was coded and delivered to each bureau for testing and deployment. Phase 3, Disbursement Report is in the design phase and is scheduled to be delivered in Mid January.					
		A new release is scheduled for late November versity system to reflect the modified requirement and production. Specifically, they are: 1) Decouple the inactive and duplicate flag in the state of the	all the fixes to the issues that is critical for				
		requirement. 2) Modify VMS to be able to make a new incor are duplicate) Modify VMS to be able to make a new incoming record a prime record when all existing ones re duplicate				
		 3) Fix a problem exited when an ORSI record perfectly matches to a CFS inactive record. The CFS record needs to be activated. 4) Enhance the Conflict Resolution Screen to display a "in process" message. 5) Remove the Vendor Type reverse mapping in VMS since Vendor Type can be dynamically defined through GL021 so that VMS will return the CFS value. 					
		The draft project plan from NOAA shows the pr	and meets weekly to discuss and resolve any with bureaus develop an implementation schedule. re-production will start on 12/7 and the migration assus and NIST are working on their project plans.				
	1. Open Issue:	CCR has experienced several delays and must be implemented before CSTARS can go live.	Resolution: CSC is working to resolve all ARs and will make a delivery in late Nov. CSC is also working with the bureaus to develop testing and implementation plans.				
	Items to Watch:	CCR pre-production can take up to 40-50 days t bureaus start this process as soon as possible in o					

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16. Financial Management Business Case – Financial Evaluation	Scope: Status:	On July 27, 2005, the Deputy CFO and OFM management and staff briefed the CFO on the finance and technical evaluation business case analyses and recommendations. The decision was that OFM will move forward on the Best Practices/Process Standardization recommendation. The Team will explore improvements in processing accounts payables throughout the Department. This team will implement best practices identified in the business case that do not require new funding and develop detailed implementation plans for those that do require new funding, i.e., web invoicing and electronic receiving and inspection. The bureaus have been asked to designate a bureau representative from their accounts payable office to serve on this team. On August 3, 2005, representatives from Census, NOAA, NIST, and the CSC met with the Director and Deputy Director from the Office of Computer Services to begin discussions on the		
Responsibility: Project Lead: TBD		server consolidation implementation. On August 29, 2005, CSC management and staff held a conference call with staff from two GSA offices (Kansas City, Missouri and Fort Worth, Texas) to discuss the GSA web invoicing system. Both offices have experienced success with the program, in terms of vendor participation and cost savings. This effort is currently on hold.		

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17. Financial Management Business Case – Technical	finance and technical evaluation business case analyses and recommendations. The decision was made to consolidate the CBS application and the financial feeders at the Office of Computer Services in Springfield, Virginia. The consolidation will occur in a phased approach, with NIST and the CSC moving in Year 1; and NOAA and Census moving in Year 2. On August 1, 2005, the Deputy CFO formally notified the CFOs (and the Deputy CIO formally notified the CIOs) regarding this decision. On August 3, representatives from Census, NOAA, NIST, and the CSC	IIST and the CSC moving in FY 2006 IOAA and Census noving in FY 2007			
Evaluation Team Responsibility:	The affected bureaus have also been asked to designate bureau/data center representatives to serve on the core Server Consolidation Team. The responsibilities of the Server Consolidation Team will include identifying and bringing together subject matter experts from the bureaus to gather and consolidate data center support requirements, create a joint Commerce Service Level Agreement (SLA), create an implementation plan and ensure testing and execution of the Department-wide business systems server consolidation.				
Project Lead: Wende Wiles	Status: Monthly Accomplishments for September: Secured funding for Phase 1 of the Server Consolidation effort Established Server Consolidation Implementation Team and documented Subject Matter Area Champions to lead subgroups Conducted subgroup meetings to collect bureau baselines and to document cross-bureau joint requirements Documented high level implementation plan and schedule, forecasting: NIST CBS, Travel Manager, Property, and Grants Production to migrate to OCS in June 06 and CSTARS Production in October with the implementation of ORSI. CSC is forecasted to move in its entirety by June 06. Collected network baselines. OCS presented To-Be alternatives for bureau consideration Work in Progress: Continue expanding the Implementation Plan for key critical path activities Drafting the Service Level Agreement (SLA) Documenting joint Security and Configuration Management requirements in the respective subgroups and planning for Security Plan Re-certifications required (tentative deadline is March 06) Mapping out other projects against the Server Consolidation in an Impact Analysis document.				